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1. The 1952-53 training schedules for units of the Czech armed forces were taken from a publication entitled Combat Preparation (Bojova Priprava). The book was published by the Ministry of National Defense late in 1951, and carried the signature of the Defense Minister, Dr. Alexej Cepicka. It was classified Top Secret, about 800 pages in length, and covered with red limitation leather (with the title, "Combat Preparation", printed across the top). It is approximately 20 cm. long, 15 cm. wide and four cm. thick.

2. The book was used as a guide for all units of the Czech armed forces, and contained the official military doctrine, with all rules, regulations and material for political indoctrination, as prescribed by the Ministry of National Defense. It was distributed down to battalion level. By referring to the outlines in the book, regimental and battalion commanders were able to make out training schedules for their own units. [REDACTED] Company CO's had access to them, but were allowed to take them from Bn Hq only during duty hours.

3. The title page of the book was as follows:

Outline of Combat and
Political Preparation for 1952 and 1953

Ministry of National Defense
Combat Preparation
Minister of
National Defense
Alexej Cepicka

Plan Bojove
a Politicke Pripravy
pro rok 1952 a 1953
Ministerstvo Narodni Obrany
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4. Combat Preparation was divided into three major sections, each covering a four-month training period: Winter, Summer and Fall. Each of the sections had subdivisions containing training programs for each branch of the service, giving the training outline and number of hours for each subject. The training program covered all phases of military preparation.

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